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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
SHOZO HATTORI, et al.) Examiner: M. Nghiem
Application No.: 09/543,331) Group Art Unit: 2861
Filed: April 5, 2000)
For: INK ABSORBENT, INK)
TANK, INK CARTRIDGE,)
METHOD FOR)
MANUFACTURING INK)
ABSORBENT, AND METHOD)
FOR MANUFACTURING INK) May 13, 2002
TANK)

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT
AND
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated December 11, 2001, in connection with which a timely Petition For Extension Of Time was filed on May 1, 2002, extending period for response to Monday, May 13, 2002.

Please amend the above-identified application, as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel Claims 1, 3, 4 and 11 to 18 without prejudice or disclaimer of subject matter.

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